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Dear Mr. McCone:

Just prior to his departure for Saigon, General Taylor asked that I reply to your letter of June 18th which expressed your interest in the Southeast Asia war game now being considered by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The groundwork for the exercise is just now being laid. Your comments on the last game are pertinent to the preparatory work, and will be made available to the Joint War Games Agency, as the organization having Joint Staff responsibility for the mechanics as well as the substance of play.

Very generally, the proposed game will postulate a situation characterized by deteriorating international relationships, internal social and economic pressures, and instability of national governments of Southeast Asia. Against this backdrop, the probability and implications of overt ChiCom introduction of armed forces into certain Southeast Asian countries will be examined. The results to be developed are the most probable ChiCom and US political and military objectives, strategies and constraints, and their international implications.

Your comments are much appreciated. We will be in further touch as details of the exercise are developed.

Sincerely,

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Lt. General, U.S.A.  
Assistant to the Chairman

The Honorable  
John A. McCone  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D. C.

JCS review(s)  
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